

CHAPTER 8-000 MEDICAID INSURANCE FOR WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES: Working individuals who meet the necessary disability criteria, have income within income guidelines, and are working, are eligible for Medicaid. After application of income disregards, individuals with income less than 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) are eligible for Medicaid with no premium; individuals with income of 200 through 249 percent of the FPL are eligible for Medicaid with a monthly premium payment.

The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 allowed Medicaid for workers with disabilities. Neb.Rev.Stat. section 68-1020, allows a qualified individual with income from 200 through 249 percent of the Federal Poverty Level to pay a premium to obtain Medicaid eligibility.

8-001 Eligibility Requirements: In order to receive Medicaid, the individual(s) must:

1. Qualify for Medicaid except for income;
2. Not be eligible for AABD grant and/or medical, but may be a share of cost;
3. Meet Social Security or State Review Team definition of disability;
4. Be working;
5. Using a two-part income test have income within income guidelines (see 469-000-204);
6. Meet Medicaid resource limits (for treatment of resources, see 469 NAC 2-009 ff.; for resource limits, see 469 NAC 4-005.01); and
7. Pay a premium, if required.

8-001.01 Disability Determination: Individuals who are not receiving a Social Security Disability payment must be determined disabled by the State Review Team. Receipt of an SSDI payment meets the disability requirement.

8-001.02 Income Determination: The income calculation is a two-step process. For calculation procedures, see 469-000-330. The worker must consider income of the disabled individual and his/her spouse.

8-001.03 Premium Payment: If the individual is determined eligible for Medicaid with a premium, s/he must pay the full premium to the worker no later than the 21st day of the month following the month for which the payment is designated. See 469-000-330.

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